# Griff Sells Lussi to Montreal Club and Signs New Semi-Pro Pitching Phenom for Trial

# MANAGER GRIFFITH **SELLS PLAYER TO** MONTREAL OUTFIT

Lussi Goes in Part Payment for Climbers' First Baseman.

#### PRESIDENT MINOR INVITED TO DINNER

Naps' Secretary Picks Birmy's Team to Finish Third,

#### Signs a Pitcher

Victor Bickers, of Buffalo, N. Y., nineteen years old, six feet two nehes, 190 pounds, and a righthanded semi-pro pitcher, has been igned by Manager Griffith for a trial this spring with the Climbers. He won twenty-two out of twenty-four games for a team in Indianapolis, Ind., last summer and maintained a batting average

#### By "SENATOR."

Pirst Baseman Lussi, corralled by Manager Griffith during his recent deerslaying trip in Montana, has been turned over to the Montreal club of the International League in part payment for "Chick" Gandil, purchased from the

Lussi played with the Helena, Mont., club of the Union Association last season and is said to have the requireents of a good man. He led his league len bases, hit more than .300 and

in stolen bases, hit more than 200 and showed considerable ability in the neld. However, as there is no place for him on the Climbers as long as Gandil is in shape, Manager Griffith has sent him to Montreal, where he will be given a complete tryout.

Manager Bransheld of the Royals is without a competent first baseman since Gandil left the team, and was thinking of playing the bag himself urless be found a suitable candidate. The acquirement of Lussi seems to settle the question, unless the youngster falls down on the job.

Bill Sullivan, also known as Keenan, another Montana phenom, may or may not be given a trial with the Climbers in the spring. The fare from Helena to Washington is almost insurmountable. Sullivan, or Keenan, is a pitcher.

Minor Invited. President Benjamin S. Minor has been invited to be a guest at the goodfellow ship banquet of the Philadelphia Sport Writers' Association. Presidentelect Woodrow Wilson will be the special guest of the occasion, and all the majo league magnates will be present. tried out by the Climbers last year be-tore going back to Rochester, has asked to be released to some Pacific Coast eague club. He can't see any hope of seating out Schmidt or Anderson, the tochester candidates

Charile Barrett has resigned as trainer at Williams' College, Williamstown, Mass., to become all-the-year-arbund trainer with the Yankees, He has hitherto cared for the New Yorkers durant

Blackwood's Done

the American League with brains term to be unbroken by athletic trips ough to shoot advance dope about his team to the scribes along the line. says the Climbers will beat out the own beloved Naplanders will finish one-

"I figure that the Naps, unless their nation is broken up by injuries, will finish at least as high as third," says Blackwood, "Indeed, there's derful infield, a corking good outfield, and two of the best batters in the world in Jackson and Lajoie. "Washington will beat our Connie Mack's team again next summer, and the Pirates will land the National

the Pirates will land the Nationay League gonfaion. Furthermore, I have a small piece of change to back up this prediction."

All right, Bill, it's pleasant to our cars to hear such good things about the Climbers, for the team that beats out the White Elephants in 1913 will just about cop the bunting in this little old league.

# May Make Trade.

Johnny Evers, unfortunate manager of the Cubs, thinks he will be able to arrange a trade with Miller Huggins. another unfortunate manager. Evers has plenty of material for trading pures, and is looking for pitchers, indelders and outfielders, not to speak of catchers. When he gets them and the West Side fans agree to forget Joe County Cra may be able to sleep o' in

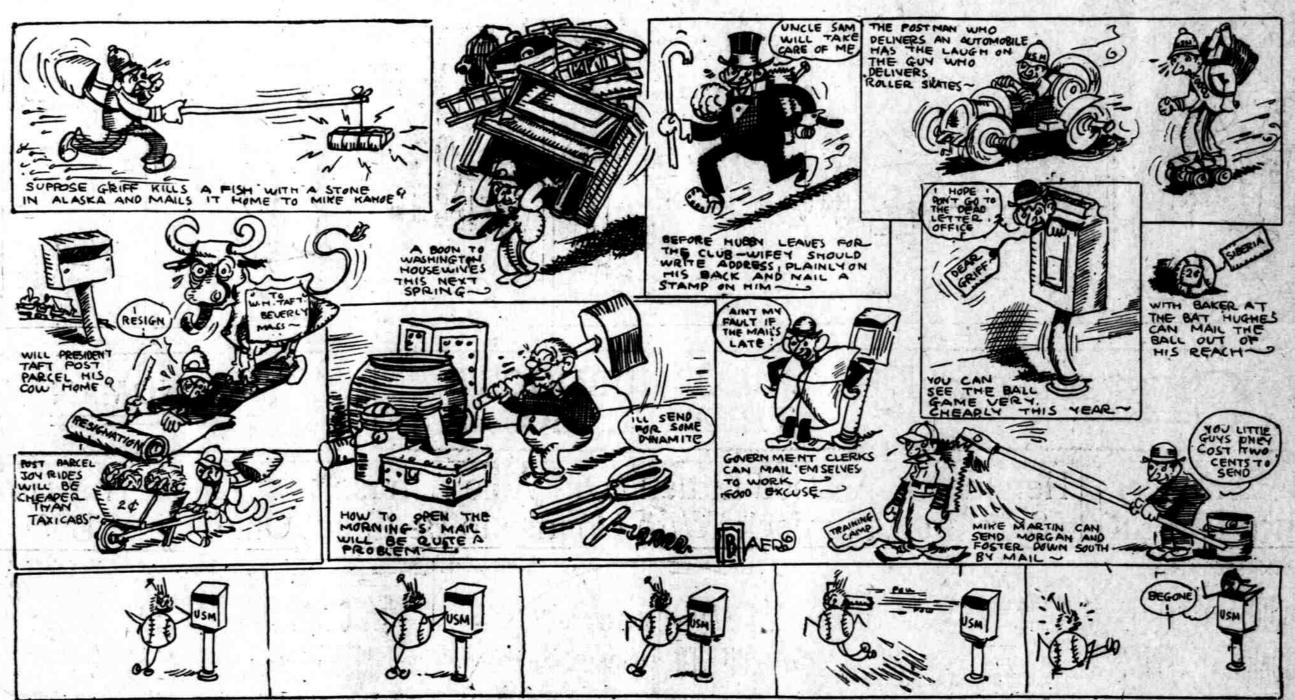
my Callahan, the White Sox manager, reports that the White Sox man-ager, reports that the White Sox will finish one-two-three if Jim Scott and Frank Lange last out the season. He thinks that "Big Ed" Walsh, "Lefty" Mogridge and Joe Benz, with the assist-ance of Scott and Lange, can swing the South Siders into the pennant. From last accounts eight teams in this leaves last accounts eight teams in this league will finish one-two-three. Bert Daniels, the hard-headed out-neider of the Yankees, is working this winter as a civil engineer for the New York Central lines, keeping in shape by strenuous labors in the open air.

Will Start Early.

Eddle Plank, "Chief" Bender and Jack Coombs, the three veteran flingers of the Athletics, will start training next month in order to be ready by the time the regular campaign gets unfer way. Connie Mack believes that, if this trio can deliver the goods at the start of the race, it will be comparatively easy for the former champions Jack Martin, recalled by the Yankees

Jack Martin, recalled by the Yankees from Rochester, means to stick in the hig show, despite the terrific wallop he received from Walter Johnson last spring. His hitting feil off for a while after that and be slipped back to the minors. There he regained his confidence and now says that he will be the Yankees' regular shortstop under Frank the sensation.

# What Use Parcel Post Can Be Put to in Baseball Games



# BASKETBALL FANS HOW HE CAN PLAY

#### Appears in Philadelphia Against Pennsylvania in Only Game of Year.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 4-Thorpe, the greatest living athlete in the world, will Hochester candidates.

Frank Arelianes, former Red Sox pitcher, and lately star filinger of the Sacramento club of the Pacific Coast League, has retired to enter business.

Charlie Barrett has resigned as trainer at Williams Collection. the indoor sport.

Last year in the game against Penn sylvania. Thorpe was the star of the Indian five and will undoubtedly prove so again. This game is the only outside game that Carlisle plays, as the Bill Blackwood, the one secretary in director of Carlisle desires the winter At Carlisle basketball is played quite largely, but only as a part of the general exercise and physical training that is incident to the schools training. Despite this, Carlisle always puts up a very fine article of ball against Pennsylvania, and the game with the Indians is always considered as one of the feature matches of the season.

The general public will doubtless take special interest in the game this year because of the mighty fame that Thorpe has obtained through his wonderful work in the Olympic games at Stockholm and his sensational playing on the football field the past season. At Carlisle basketball is played quite

# Capron Applies for

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Jan. 4.-Ralph University of Minnesota football team. is a candidate for the position as coach of the Purdue team, made vacant by the recent death at Madison. Wis., of Josh E. ("Keckle") Moll.

# Has Tonsils Trimmed.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.-Charles Lincoln Herzog, better known as "Buck" to National League fans who have enjoyed his classy third sacking for the Glants, has had his tonsils trimmed here in preparation for the coming season. The operation caused him little bother, and he says he will soon return to his home in Ridgely, Md., to rest until the opening of the 1913 training season.

# Klaus Home Again.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4 .- After a successful tour of France and England Frank Klaus, the "Pittsburgh Bear Cat," is home again, though he will return to Paris next month for six matches. He is accompanied by Frankle Daly and Frankle Madole, his sparring partners.

# Wingate Gets Cup.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 4.-For 'alertness on the diamond" the Barrett Wendell, jr., cup has been presented to Dana J. P. Wingate, captain of the Harvard varsity baseball team at a dinner at the home of the donor in

# With the Boxers.

Johnny Coulon's physician has ordered Ex-champion Tommy Burns, who will conter the wrestling game, has agreed to wrestle Zbyszko in Caigary, Pebru-

Kid Williams and Eduie Campi, the sensational California bantam, will box in Vernon, Cal., either February 8 or

### The Harps That Once-

Yes, it's beginning to listen a hit
More like it used to—and more like it should:
Yes, it's beginning to echo a whit
Where it belongs out from under the hood.
Giv'enr, ye Harps, at the slip of the tether,
(Rotton, I guess, for a new year refrain)
Lend us a lung and we'll shout it together—
COULON, McCARTY, McFARLAND, KILBANE:

The "sunset of a dying race," probably. Out of the flock only McFarland, McCarty, McGoorty, Coulon, Kilbane, McGraw, McGillicuddy, Callahan, McLoughlin, McDermott, and seventy-five or eighty others left.

# Where Have They Gone?

Champion pennant winners-McGraw McGillicuddy. Champion heavyweight-McCarty. Champion golfer-McDermott.

Tennis champion-McLoughlin. Nor would it be any thick surprise for us later on to discover that the other bloke's name was McThorpe.

In the wake of which another nationality glances benignly in the direction of a cuttlefish named Wagner, and lets it go at that without the get him when he passes the first two this spring and the next guy up slightest touch of envy or anything else.

A highly esteemed contemporary refers to Mr. Chance as Mr. Farrell's a spear carrier batting .06% with Sam T. Jack's "Jolly Grass Widows." Balkan ally"; Balkan or balking?

There's a correspondent out in Glendora, Cal., who will look upon Tuesday, January 7, as the black spot in the year's calendar. Two more weeks of it and he could have retired. As it is he will only draw space rates for eight or ten thousand columns.

# The Boding Hush.

We are one among a good many others who will view the "new year" with more than passing distrust until we find how it intends to treat Griff and his Senators. This Sepoyan uprising last season was the big thrill of the summer, and if 1913 breaks up the jubilee there'll be Position as Coach no fitting substitute to offer in its place.

The new administration in Washington has several technical odds and ends to look after. Not the least of which is the reappointment Capron, star quarterback on the 1911 of Colonel Griffith as minister extraordinary to Flagdom with at least a look-in across the stretch. If downward revision of the Senators is contemplated, we fling the warning while there is yet time to block a fanatical revolution, in which the Potomac will be as crimson as the Seine not be necessary to state that Joseph has yet to face the delicate pleasin the gory days of the Commune.

# BINGLES AND BUNTS

"There was a time"—you can can it today—
Switching the "used-to-be" hack to the "is;"
Up with the green for old-fushioned play
Relativeduced for an old-fashioned whits.
Heavy the yoke and as drear as a cancer,
Yoke of Liberian, German, and Dane;
Now, when they call, here's the rest of the answer—
COULON, McCARTY, McFARLAND, KILBANE!

# Not Crabbing It, But Then

Having "quit the game" every day for a month; having bought all the minor league franchises for sale, and having decided to "stick to the stage for good," isn't it almost time for Prof. Marquard to settle-back to

In view of the terrific struggle baseball has had to attain its present crest, we can hardly believe the renowned Rube will be heartless enough to break up the pastime by leaving us all flat and quitting the game. "We cry him mercy, every one." The game has grown too close to our hearts to have it wrecked beyond all hope. As much as it must pain the Rube to surrender his chosen profession, the stage, we feel that he owes it to his countrymen to see that the nation's game is not utterly

dismantled by his withdrawal. With all the vast "press agenting" space he has landed, and the number of headlines he has evoked, the Rube also knows how much it will for him to take part in that event. Nottears off a double just over Herzog's onion. He may be a combination Booth and Mansfield, but if the old hop to his fast one is missing the Bunch Back of Third and First won't know him from Mike the Bite or

# A Final Plea.

Mr. Official Forecaster, Cimatic guard at the gate, High-muck-a-muck and the master Of weather we're having of late, Here for the last time, and madly I call on your blizzards a-lark;

 who am overgolfed badly— I who should get back to work. Mr. Official Forecaster,

Guard of the freeze and the thaw, On, ere you bring on disaster, With winter, old-fashioned and raw Here for the last time and sadly I call for your snow an the mead I. who am overgolfed badly-I, with a family to feed.

"Walsh," says Tinker, "is the greatest pitcher of the age." It should

# DAVE BUNTING GOES Just Winter League Baseball TO NASHVILLE CLUB

# Baseman Gets Trial on Southern League Team.

NASHVILLE, Jan. 4.-Dave Bunting. tormer Washington, Lookout and Pelican third baseman, has been claimed by the walver route by Nashville, according to an announcement by President Hirsig.

Frank intended sending Bunting, who, it is understood, is still the property of Cleveland, to Toledo, as a basis for a trade, but Hirsig thinks that Dave will make Nashville a good man and he will be given a trial in the spring. Last season in 118 games Bunting his

crossed the plate wafely forty-seven

times, His fielding average was very

BY WAIVER ROUTE of ceivers, only one remains. He is Steve O'Nell. Livingstone, Adams, Easterly, Fisher, Talbot, and Whaling have been canned.

C. Dooln is well equipped with out-field material in Mike Donlin, Sherwood Magee, Dode Paskert, Gavvy Cravath, Doc Miller, and recruit George Magnus.

The meeting place for the schedule committee has been switched from French Lick Springs to Aiken, S. C. There Johnson, Heydler, Dreyfuss, and others will inhale the Southern breezes and at the same time twist around the 1912 dates and call the list the official 1913 schedule.

Pretty tough on Mike Donlin. Last spring he took a liking to young "Scoops" Carey and taught the young-ster all the inner points about the game. Max didn't know how to hold a bat or grab a ball, but Mussy Mike took the kid in tow. And now Carey lands the job, while Donlin is sent to the Phillies.

Connie Mack gave \$11,500 for Lefty e Nashville a good man and he will Russell. Garry Herrmann "paid" \$1,500 for Frank Chance. Figuring from that, stole twenty-four bases, and pot its million or 10 cents. Figures may not its histography.

No big league club ever whipsawed its catching staff so fiercely as did the Naps within one year. Starting the training camp last spring with seven receivers, only one remains. He is Steve O'Neil. Livingstone, Adams, Easterly, Pisher Telbor and Whaling have been respectively.

Connie Mack is shaping his outfield and leaving Danny Murphy out of his list. It is thought that Danny has played his last game, as he has not re-covered entirely from his attack of wat-

Barney Dreyfuss paid \$22,500 for Marty O'Toole last winter. This winter a pretty young bride got Marty for nothing. But we think both did well.

The Buffalo team, hit by the salary limit in the International League, will cut down the number of players it car-ries, rather than reduce the salaries of

# DESPITE DISPUTE

Amateur Status, Now Question, Does Not Bar Harvard Star.

the shot-put, as it would be impossible

former Yale all-round athlete, A very select field of junior aprinters is entered in the sixty-yard championship, the most prominent of whom are Walter Conway, the Metropolikan junior, 100-yard champion; Frank Stephenson, the Trinity Club crack; Renner, of the Bronx Church Club, and leving Howe, the negro sprinter from

1913 Football Captains

# EVERS PREDICTING **GREAT FUTURE FOR** SHORTSTOP PHELAN

### Cubs' Manager Says Tinker Will Be Forgotten After Seeing New Man.

TROY, N. Y., Jan. 4 .- Johnny Evers, manager of the Chicago Cubs, predicts that Art Phelan, the little shortstop obtained from the Cincinnati Redskins in the big deat for Joe Tinker, will make the former Cubs' shortstop entirely forgotten in a single season.

"While not under-rating Tipker any." "While not under-rating Tinker any." Oberlin says Evers, who is wintering here, "I Wabash predict that Phelan will be the National Iowa League's real classy shortstop to an-Connie Mack gave \$11,500 for Lefty Russell. Garry Herrmann "paid" \$1,500 for Frank Chance. Figuring from tat, you could prove Walter Johnson worth ten million or 10 cents. Figures may not lie, but sometimes they require signed statements to prove themselves.

"Kid" Gleason will be with Jimmy Its men.

League's real classy shortstop in another season. Right now he is as good as Tinker and is surpassed only by Hans Wagner the greatest of them ali. Yanderbilt for the Cubs. When he was 'n his prime, there was none better. But he statements to prove themselves.

"Kid" Gleason will be with Jimmy Paddy Livingston.

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Georgetow Virginia.

Tinker has played some great ball for the Cubs. When he was 'n his prime, there was none better. But he has passed his prime now, remember, and the Reds wil find that out next summer to their sorrow."

Figures may have success after being discarded by the Cincinnati Reds are Sam Crawford.

Topsy Hartsel, John Ganzel, Clark Griffith. Mike Donlin. Cy Seymour, Orvic overall, Harry Steinfeldt, Hans Lobert.

Miller Huggins, Dodge Paskert, and Paddy Livingston.

# OVER HIS STANDING

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Charley Brickley will appear at the National Junior
Indoor championships in the Twentysecond Regiment Armory tonight. Waiter Tufts, jr., manager of the Harvard
University track team, wired the chairman of the championship committee to
cancel the entry of H. R. Hardwick in
the shot-put, as it would be impossible withstanding the fact that there is some controversy over the amateur standing

of Charles Brickley, the wonderful hand to compete against Larry Whitney, of Dartmouth; Reed Kilpatrick, the others in the shot-putting contest.

A very select field of junior sprinters

lrving Howe, the negro sprinter from The two-mile race will, no doubt, prove the feature event of the evening. The field is so evenly matched that it would be a hard matter to pick a winner. The following are favorites: Silva and Mahoney, of the Boston Athletic Association; Devanney and Huysman, of the Irish-American A. C.; Roth and Joyce, of the Mohawks; Leslie, of the Long Island A. C., and Wright, of the Navier.

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# PITTSBURGH STAR KEEPS HIM YOUNG

Dutchman Seeks Open Air and Has Good Health.

Hans Wagner, the Pittsburgh shorttop, is one of the "youngest" vete in the National League ranks. Physicians ascribe the German's greatness to his roving disposition, his fondness for nature and his habit of eating what he pleases. In commenting upon Wagner's ability to keep in good shape

year after year, James Jerpe of Pitts-burgh, who has known the great snort-stop a number of years, says:

"When a man of his natural physique can eat what he wants, drink what he wants and do what he pleases in the open air all the year around, it isn't any real wonder that he prolongs his athletic career and stands off the slow-ness and staleness that come to the best of them as the years go by.

Me Complications Set In.
"Honus is the living ideal of the simple life. He clings to nature. He spends his fall and winter in the woods and the his fall and winter in the woods and the spare time of the summer at the banks of a stream, fishing. He loves the freedom of the open air and he is at home in the wildest woods. He has the nature of an Indian in this respect. You don't catch Honus browsing around in the city or on the streets of his home town. He keeps to himself or in his own pet little circle of woodmen.

"I have known him personally for years and I know that his fondness for hunting and fishing and life in the open air has kept him from going to the discard as a really great player. Honus roams the woods from pure desire. He doesn't worry. He sleeps a lot and he cats what he pleases and when he pleases. Ham and eggs look good to him three times a day. Between meals he seeks the open air either in his automobile or on foot.

"Honus has a poetic nature in this respect, although he is anything but a poet. But the open air, the trees, the streams, and the wild freedom of the woods have a fancy for him, and in this environment only is he happy. Is it any wonder, then, that he retains is vigor and conserves much of that dash and speed that make him the annual wonder of the ball field?

Might Have Been Different.

"Let us fancy another kind of Wag-ner. What if Honus had been an inner. What if Honus had been an indifferent kind of a chap with a fancy
for the limelight and the streets of the
city in the off season? What if he just
loafed around and did nothing? Four
or five years ago Honus would have
passed from the realm of the truly
great. But to his roving nature and his
leve for the simple life the Pittsburgh
club and the fans of Pittsburgh owe
the fact that Honus comes around every year, and is the mainstay of the
Pirates. Yes, sir-re-ee. But the desire for outdoor life has to be part of
a man's nature, and Hans Wagner has
that nature.

Likes the "Movies. "As for the evenings in a large city, Honus always enjoys himself. In New York he hunts out the big moving-picture shows, where the movies' may be showing African game hunts or some sort of adventure in the jungle, woods or on sea. The next morning he may be up bright and early and within an hour or two he will be forty-five minutes from Broadway, where the five utes from Broadway, where the fishes have no idea of the closeness of little old New York town.

"Yes, it's funny how the Dutchman keeps his shape year in and year out."

Jackson No Hold-out. COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 4.-Joe Jackson, the American League slugger, denies he is a hold-out, and says he will sign his contract in a few days. At will be for a long term, he adds.

# STRIKES AND SPARES

Imperials took three games from Arcade Market in the Arcade Duckpin League, rolling 497, 567 and 512, topping their rivals in each game by a narrow

Marine Corps No. 2 managed to get two out of three from the Construction and Repair outfit. The second game

Southern took three easy games from Tickett Office in the Terminal R. R. Y. M. C. A. League. Stanley rolled high game, although Streiter got three good

Northern failed to get going until the second game and dropped one out of three to Eastern in the Washington Railway and Relief Association League. Rea, of Eastern, got high game with

Executives took two from City Post-office, scores of 482 and 471 taking the preasure of the Postmen, who rolled exceptionally well.

Finance made it three straights against Rural Mails. Jointe was the high man of the evening with three games over 100.

Postal Savings lost the first game to Supplies by three pins, but came back for the other two by a large margin.

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